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Soldiers to march through borough

MORE than 100 soldiers will march through the streets of Dudley when they are honoured with the freedom of the borough.

The Royal Mercian and Lancastrian Yeomanry, which has deployed troops to Afghanistan and will take an active role at the London 2012 Olympics, will receive the honour on July 1.

Around 50 of the soldiers

the honour on July 1.

Around 50 of the soldiers taking part in the parade will be from across the Dudley borough and Wolverhampton.

A ceremony will be held at Dudley Council House, in Priory Road, led by the new Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Melvyn Mottram.

He will present the Terri-

He will present the Territorial Army regiment with a commemorative scroll before officially granting the troops the freedom of the borough.

The ceremonial honour shows the ties between a borough and a regiment.

borough and a regiment.
It has links with Dudley
dating back to 1794.
Lt Col Matthew Botsford,
MBE, commanding officer of
the regiment, said the troops
were deeply honoured.
"It is wonderful the people
of Dudley have granted the
regiment the freedom of the
borough," he said.
The parade will begin at

The parade will begin at the Territorial Army centre, in Vicar Street, at 11am.

Cash blow to college

DUDLEY College has missed out on £10million of funding to open a University Technical College in the heart of the town, it has been announced

Principal Lowell William today spoke of his disapoint-ment after the application, which had been submitted in partnership with Aston Uni-versity, Birmingham, was turned down by the Govern-

The cash would have been used to bankroll the project to open the centre.

OMES PLAN FOR GLASSWORKS SITE

A CANALSIDE housing estate is being earmarked to be built next to a proposed £5 million glass museum in Wordsley. Some 49 homes would be constructed on the historic former Stuart Crystal glassworks site.

Vacant land off Argyle Close will be developed for the estate while the museum will be built in the Grade II listed former

factory units. These were once at the heart of the glassmaking industry but have recently been targeted by

wandals.
Work on the museum is not expected to start until next year as bosses are still

next year as bosses are still preparing their bids for funding.

A planning application has been submitted by Morris Homes Ltd for a mix of houses and flats, and will be considered by councillors in the coming months.

Slump

Existing plans to convert some of the old glassworks units across the canal into apartments, on land which is owned by Complex Developments, were delayed five years ago by the slump in the housing market and have been put on hold while the museum plans move forward.

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Under these new proposals there would be 16 detached houses, two semi-detached, seven "mews" properties and 24 apartments.
They would overlook the Stourbridge Canal, which runs through the former glassworks.

glassworks.

The plans have been welcomed by ward councillor John Jones, who said: "It

By Adam Burling

will bring new people to Wordsley and put some money into the community.

"I'm sure a lot of people will be pleased to see some regeneration at the site as it has been knocked about

The new museum will have glass collections from across the Black Country.

There and also plans to link it with the historic Red House Glass Cone via a tunnel which would run underground.

underground.

A fundraising drive has been launched by the British Glass Foundation—a charity set up to spearhead the plans.

And bosses are also looking into possible Government grants to boost the scheme, which is expected to attract more than 500,000 visitors a vear.

The process was held up last year when a huge blaze broke out in one of the old factory buildings.

factory buildings.

This caused months of delays as bosses waited for an insurance claim to go through before repairs could be carried out.

Stuart Crystal closed in 2001 with the loss of 220 jobs when the firm was taken over by Waterford Wedgwood in a £4 million deal.

Bangers are smashing way to celebrate



Sarah Jolly and James Hartland with the Jubilee Sausage they have made in Kinver

HUNGRY revellers can tuck into a special sausage created by a patriotic village

created by a patriotic village butchers. Staff at The Butchery, in Kinver High Street, came up with the recipe after cus-tomers asked if they were doing anything special to commemorate the occasion.

And they took inspiration from the Union Jack flag by using red, white and blue

using red, white and blue ingredients.
Included in the recipe are strawberries, provided by the neighbouring Village Greens shop, along with stilton, for the white and blue, and pork.
Owner Sarah Jolly said: "It was actually customers who suggested we should do something and the recipe was really a group effort with everyone pitching in ideas.

ideas. Celebrations in Dudley borough include free diamond Jubilee trails for youngsters at museums. Broadfield House Glass

Broadneid House Glass
Museum in Kingswinford
will be running these on Saturday and Sunday
(JUNE2/3) and from

urday and Sunday (JUNE2/3) and from Wednesday, June 6 to Saturday, June 9 to Saturday, June 9 to Saturday, June 9 to 11.30 am children can have fun making a crown and sceptre. And at Wordsley Green Library children can make a crown and sceptre and seeptre of the seep to 10.30 am to 10.30 am. Meanwhile at Stourbridge

Meanwhile at Stourbridge Library children's section on June 8 from 2.15pm to 3.15pm children can hear prince and princess stories and join in Jubilee crafts.

Boat to be paraded as thanks to town

A £1.3MILLION powerboat being built in Dudley for a round-the-world record

being built in Dudley for a round-the-world record attempt will be paraded through the town's streets once it has been made.

Adventurer Alan Priddy has promised to put on a party and show off the 90ft long and 16ft wide boat, called Accomplish More, in return for the support he says he has received from the community.

However, the finishing time for the boat has been delayed following a suspected arson at the factory where it is being built in Brierley Hill on May 22.

Although the boat was not damaged in the blaze, Mr Priddy and his staff have been unable to work for two

Priddy and his staff have been unable to work for two weeks while police earry out forensic checks.

It is now thought the boat, which is hoped will break a 61-day record, will not be ready for at least another eight weeks.

Mr Priddy said: "With every day which goes by without us working I'm getting more and more anxious, we have a schedule to stick to and it will mean us working twice as hard when we get started again.

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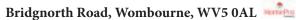
"Our plan is get the boat ready in time to throw on a party and parade it through to the streets of Dudley before taking it to London to display at the Olympic Games. It would be my way of saying thank you to the town for all the great support I have received."

Skate park move starts

THE wheels have been set in THE wheels have been set in motion to help youngsters left distraught when their unofficial skate park – Bell Street car park in Stourbridge – was blown up.
A group of older fans and parents of teenagers were meeting this week to set up a campaign to build a proper skateboarding and BMX park in Stourbridge.



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Student Chris Platts enjoys every minute

Torches and tears aplenty

Stourbridge have spoken of their pride at helping to carry the iconic flame during its mammoth journey across the country.

country.

Thousands of people turned out to watch as the famous torch arrived in the Midlands for the first time.

Both Kidderminster and Bewdley were turned red, white and blue for the once-in-a-lifetime occasion.

Student 17-year-old Chris Platts, from Amblecote, was the first to carry it through the streets of Kidderminster.

The crowd outside the Severn Valley Railway station was deafening as the rugby player left the building carrying the torch high in his raised arms.

Mr Platts was nominated to carry the torch by his old school Thorns Community College, in Quarry Bank, for his work coaching youngsters.

Ambassador

Ambassador

He was formerly an ambassador for a Youth Sports Trust scheme and has been coaching youngsters at Dudley Kingswinford Rugby Club after suffering a knee injury which stopped him playing. Mr Platts has also organised events for disabled youngsters.

"I was so proud to carry the torch and I don't mind admitting it has moved me to tears ore than once," he said.

"To me the Olympic torch is one symbol which remains untarnished and for 300 metres I held that symbol in my hands. "To be one of the people chosen to do this is an amazing honour." Residents eager for a good view of the

Residents eager for a good view of the torch relay began arriving at the

Report by Heather Large

railway's Kidderminster station more than two hours before the event on Thursday was due to take place. Kathleen Brookes, of Barnett Lane, Stourbridge, had an extra reason to celebrate as her sons Alan, 16, and Andrew, 25, are volunteers at the Severn Valley Railway and helped prepare the torch train.

train.

"The event was absolutely magical and well worth the wait. I will never forget it."
Also taking part in the relay earlier in the day in Bewdley was Jackie Webb, aged 54, from Stourbridge.

The grandmother-of-one and mother-

of-three was nominated for the honour by her husband Bill, because she had embarked on a health kick which has changed her life and now she hopes to

inspire others as a result.

The diabetes nurse manger who The diabetes nurse manger who works at Heartlands Hospital in Birmingham had her own health scare two years ago.

Among those who took part in the relay in Shropshire was Alex Peart, of Pedmore, Stourbridge, was one of the torchbearers in Clee Hill.

The 18-year-old, who attends Haybridge School, Hagley, said: "It was exciting and then running with the torch went really well and quickly."

Meanwhile Poso Nicki Yates, aged 40, of Stourbridge, had the honour of carrying the torch through Droitwich Spa.



Alex Peart carries the Torch alof



Jacqueline Webb breezes along her section



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Richard recalls day of falling for Queen

year-old Richard Williams met the Queen - but it did not

met the Queen – but it did not exactly go to plan.

He was busy taking photographs for his colleagues when a metal peg in the ground at Shugborough Hall in Stafford caused him to lose his footing just yards away from Her Majesty.

Mr Williams was a private in the Territorial Army during the visit in 1982, when the Queen was presenting military colours to the Queen's Own Mercenary Yeomanry.

Though he can look back on the incident and laugh, Mr Williams remem-

dent and laugh, Mr Williams remem-bers being embarrassed at the time. He said: "I fell over right in front of

her. I was taking pictures walking backwards and I fell over a metal peg in the ground. "I got up and I was busy brushing down my trousers – and then I looked up and she was right there. "She asked if I was alright, and I said I was, and she asked me if I was enjoyint he day."

ing the day.

Funny

"I think she found it quite funny but she was really nice about it." Mr Williams, of Pennfields, Stour-bridge, went on to become a plastic moulding technician in Lye and now works as a cleaner at Stourbridge Medical Centre.

He said the memories of meeting the Queen will always live with him, and

added: "It was really exciting. Only a few people get to speak to the Queen so I was very lucky. It was a huge thing to happen in my life."
Though Mr Williams said he was "ribbed" by his friends in the TA, he says he often looks back on the occa-sion and is "very proud" to have met the Queen.
He stayed in the TA for a further

the Queen.

He stayed in the TA for a further three years but says there were not many other experiences that came close to that day in July.

He added: "My family were all so proud and they still look at the photos and think about what a great day it was. It doesn't matter what happened, I'm just really glad that I was there and I took part."

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Speaker visits town to speak at school and honour hero

John Bercow came to Stour-bridge to commemorate Second

World War MI6 agent Frank Foley.

Mr Bercow was at Old Swinford Hospital
School in Stourbridge to give the annual
Frank Foley lecture.

The MP used the occasion to highlight the

importance of speaking out against racism and extremism.

and extremism.

The visit was organised by Dudley North
MP Ian Austin and saw the Speaker unveil
a bus in honour of Mr Foley, who worked as
an MI6 agent in Berlin from 1920 to 1939.
He used his position as a passport officer to
help hundreds of Jews escape Nazi
Germany by giving them papers to leave.
Following the war Foley lived in Stourbridge until his death in 1958.

After the lecture Mr Berrow went to name

After the lecture Mr Bercow went to name a National Express West Midlands bus after Frank Foley.

Crisis

In his lecture Mr Bercow called the decline in voter turnout at elections the "quiet crisis of UK electoral participation" and said polling day should become a bank buildnut each prosporable to write.

and said poining ady should become a bank holiday to get more people to vote He made the comments in front of an audience of school pupils and dignitaries and said the 32 per cent turnout in the local elections on May 3 was the lowest since 2000

He said: "The introduction of the Fixed He said: "The introduction of the Fixed Term Parliament bill, now Act, does create an opportunity. We now know that the next General Election is due to take place on May 7 2015. We also know that we always have two public holidays in the month of May every year. Why not swap one of them over so that the General Election date itself is a public holiday and a celebration of democracy? This would involve no additional cost to business or anyone else."



John Bercow, right, MP Ian Austin and Mayor Councillor Melvyn Mottram unveiling a bus in Stourbridge in honour of Frank Foley



Headmaster Peter Jones speaks during the lecture, attended by Commons Speaker John Bercow, at the Old Swinford Hospital School

Award for brave student

A SCHOOLBOY from Stourbridge down the attacker who then turned who was stabbed while trying to prevent a fellow pupil being before other bystanders were able to attacked has been honoured with a police bravery award.

The 14-year-old schoolgirl was a tabled to treat of 11 times and was

attacked has been nonoured with a intervene.

Ben Hudson, aged 17, rugby stackled the knifeman as he attacked chloe West outside Ridgewood High School in Wollaston, Stourbridge, jailed for 13 years for the attack.

Ben Hudson, aged 17, rugby stackled the knifeman as he attacked Chloe West outside Ridgewood High School in Wollaston, Stourbridge, last year.

He received the Binney Award, which goes to the most outstanding winner at last night's Association of Chief Police Officers Public Bravery Awards ceremony in Manchester, after scooping a gold medal earlier in the evening.

Awards ceremony in Manchester, stories. Are stories after scooping a gold medal earlier in the evening.

During the attack on April 1 last year, the teenager attempted to hold under the stories. I knew I was getting the gold award but the Binney Award was a total surprise and I couldn't believe year, the teenager attempted to hold under the stories.

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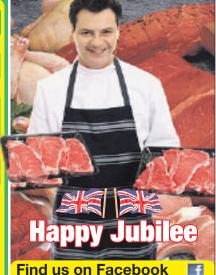
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Family tribute as former teacher dies at age of 83

Musical Jubilee japes



Mark Moran, front who has organised a Jubilee music event in Jubile Park, Romsley. He is joined by L-R: Alan Love Anne Hassell, Carol Haynes, Ray Haynes and Jo Grennan.

A MINI version of Live Aid will help Romsley villagers celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee this weekend.

As part of Romsley's village fete, which takes place on Romsley village green on Sunday (3) from 2pm, a host

of local bands have been lined up to perform in what has been dubbed Romstock.

Music has been organised by

Music has been organised by Mayhem Theatre Group founder Mark Moran and nine acts are set to play until 6pm. All are invited.

spanned more than four decades has died at the age of 83. Terry Aldworth worked at schools in Stourbridge, Cradley and Kinver.

The father of one, who died on May, leaves his wife Lynne and a son

8, leaves n... Colin. He taught history, English, maths and

sport.
Mr Aldworth was born in January 1929 in the South Wales mining town of Aber-

After obtaining a teaching certificate at Caerleon College near Newport, his first teaching job was in the

Terry Aldworth in He taught soldiers hat Sand English and was given the rank of sergeant.

In the 1950s he began working at Oldswinford Hospital School before spending 10 years at Edgecliff School in Kinver.

Music

Later he worked at the former Cradley High School during the 1980s before retir-

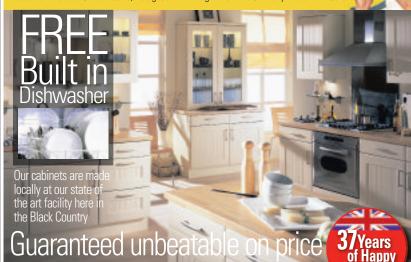
ing.
Mr Aldworth, of Oldswinford, was a Cardiff City fan.
He was also a member of Stourbridge Chess Club, and he enjoyed music.
For the last five years, Mr and Mrs Aldworth lived at the Brambles Rest Home in Stourbridge.

Stourbridge. His son Colin, of Nottingham, said: "He

was very well-known as a teacher.
"He must have taught thousands of chil dren during his career

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Switching back to the **Crabtree factory story**

copy of The Crabtree Story she will see photos of when she visited 50 years ago.

she visited 50 years ago. Her Majesty was the first person to be sent a copy of the book that chronicles the history of the Walsall factory which, at its height, employed around 3,000 workers.

The company made light switches and was started in 1919 by John Ashworth Crabtree. It moved from the old leather works in Rushall Street to larger premises called the Light of the street premises called the Light of the street of the street premises called the Light of the street of the street premises called the Light of the street of the street premises called the Light of the street of the street premises called the Light of the street premises called the street premises the street premises

larger premises, called the Lincoln works, and steadily grew to become one of Walsall's largest employers. The Lincoln site closed in 1996 and a

The Lincoln site closed in 1996 and a group was formed called the Crabtree Society. Their aim was to keep the memories from the factory alive.

Among the main authors of The Crabtree Story were Allan Preston, 66, and Roy Spencer, 72, who joined the company as apprentices.

Allan says: "John Crabtree was an amazing person – not only was he a

amazing person – not only was he a skilled business man, engineer and designer but he was a wonderful artist as well. The company meant so much



to the people of Walsall and in the 1980s they had around 3,000 employ-

ees.
"We decided to write a book. It has taken us 10 years to put it all together."

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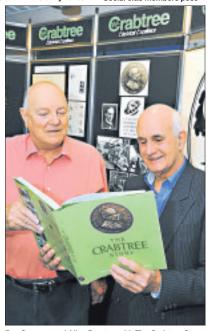
Today (Thursday, May 24) the Crabtree Society is holding a book launch at the Lyndon House Hotel, which used to be the old leather works where the business first began. It is hoped that former employees, relatives and other interested parties will go along to the hotel from 4pm onwards to look at the pictures, video footage and memorabilia from the factory.

In 1919 John Crabtree started his search for suitable premises in Birmingham but Walsall become attractive due to a need for work in the town. Within 12 months the company was employing around 100 staff producing the Crabtree Quick Make and Break

works of John Leckie & Co.

By 1923 the works in Rushall Street
were so overcrowded it was necessary
to rent a music hall and disused church
in the town. Roy says: "Those early
days were hard and a diary of one of the
workers, Cyril Summerton, told us
how John Crabtree bought six packets
of candles and a bag of scrap hexagon
nuts to be used as candle holders so
workers could see in the bad light.
However, in 1920 he treated the staff to
a fish and chip supper with bottles of
Guinness.
In 1923 ohn Crabtree found a
seven-acre green field site in Dark
Lane, less than one mile from the
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The company had been family
owned, but in 1972 it was taken over by
Eveready and its shares were sold. The
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Patrols to be stepped up as vandals attack historic mill

Dancers' help is no fantasy



Members of the Fantasy Dance Group are Kerry Lloyd, Sylvia Horton and Sharon Bishop with Milly Evans, aged seven, Katy Wright, eight, and Gracie Suri, nine

A DANCE group has joined forces with pubs and businesses to help raise £12,400 towards a new breast cancer scanner for a

towards a new breast cancer scanner for a hospital.
Fantasy Dance Group, based at Hob Green Primary School in Pedmore Fields, Stourbridge, staged performances across the area to help bring in the cash for Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital. The

fundraising scheme was launched by breast cancer survivor Sylvia Horton.

She runs the dance group, with the support of John and Sheila Sidaway of The Fox Inn, Green Lane in Lye.

Mrs Horton, of Pedmore, said the money had already been presented to staff at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital who were delighted with the donation.

Plastic drain covers are to be introduced

DRAIN covers stolen by metal thieves will be replaced with plastic alternatives by Dudley and Sandwell councils at a cost of around \$229,000. The councils are teaming up to

plastic anternatives by brains.

cost of around £239,000. The councils are teaming up to stamp out the thefts.

The problem has led to them deciding to bring in plastic replacements.

They have now opened a tender process for a company to do the work. Councillors say the dangers to the public caused by the theft of manhole and drain covers mean that swift and decisive action is required.

Sandwell has 30,000 drain covers and has been the worst-hit borough in the region with more than 300 stolen since September last year. Wolverhampton recorded 70 covers stolen, and Staffordshire County Council had around 30.

In Dudley, there were more than 200 covers stolen last year and in Walsall more than 120 covers went missing. It costs around £400 a time to replace each stolen metal drain cover and frame. Plastic covers vary from £45 to £75.

Studio on band hunt

A rock musician has a mystery to solve after an unexpected package arrived at a Stourbridge studio.

Nick Townsend, front-man of Kidderminster band Weak13, is hunting for the band who recorded a version of his song DNA which was

of his song DNA which was posted to Base Studios in Stourbridge.

The package with a disc containing the track had no contact details, although "The Minutes" was written on the CD. Nick said: "The cover is brilliant, whoever did this has done an excellent version of our song."

windows and causing a nuisance at a grade II listed windmill in Dudley. Police are stepping up patrols at Ruiton Mill in Upper Gornal and a CCTV camera is due to be installed. Chairman of the Ruiton Mill Trust, Councillor Ken Finch, said it was costing hundreds of pounds to replace the broken windows.

broken windows.

Problems escalated in the past two months and windows which had already been replaced once, have now been damaged again. The mill in Vale Street has beds for 14 and is used by Scouts for sleepovers and hosts trips by foreign exchange students. "They have been climbing over the gate into the courtyard and breaking windows and throwing rubbish around," said Councillor Finch.

"We have been in touch with police and they are going to start using the mill some of their meetings. "We hope the presence of a

who wants to cause a nuisance. We are also going to have a CCTV camera installed.

going to have a CCTV camera installed.

"The problem is when the windows are broken we have to pay to replace them and it's not any easy job because it is a listed building.

"We also have to be very careful with our funds as the only money we will have coming in is from the groups that use the mill," he acid

Wonderful

"It is a wonderful building. The people causing the damage probably don't know how great it is inside. It's a real shame this keeps happening," he added.

The mill, built from Gornal sandstone, had four sails but these were destroyed and were too expensive to replace. In 2008 it was refurbished at a cost of £40,000.

Work included a new courtyard and kitchen.

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The mill is behind a row of houses off the main street and is home to Scout groups, Dudley Caving Club and groups including astronomers and abseilers.

Quarry rejection is recommended

plans for Wall Heath are set to be made next week with reports to the planning committee recommending both be refused.

People have submitted a 3,000-signature petition against

People have submitted a 3,000-signature petition against the schemes by FG Davis to create one quarry and to extend the working life of another in the village.

It lodged a planning application more than a year ago to start sand and gravel extractions on a 19-acre site off Mile Flat. It also applied to carry on using its quarry, in Enville Road, originally for an extra three years but since amended to 18 months.

More than 5,500 letters of objection and a petition signed by 3,000 have been sent to Staffordshire County Council with villagers complaining of dust, extra traffic and mud on the roads.

Dave Tyler, leader of the Quarries Fighting Fund, said he

the roads.

Dave Tyler, leader of the Quarries Fighting Fund, said he was delighted with the recommendations

He said around 12 members hoped to attend the June 7 planning meeting.

"This is the best possible news for people in the Wall Heath, Hinksford and Ashwood areas and shows that a well each out that the comparison of the Wall Heath, Hinksford and Ashwood areas and shows that a well washes that the work of the comparison of the Wall Heath, Hinksford and Wall Heath, Hinksford and Wall Heath, Hinksford and Wall Heath Heath are well as well orchestrated community campaign really does work," he

said. A report to the committee said of the Mile End applica-tion: "The proposal would result in an unacceptable adverse and cumulative impact on local residents, local highway users and neighbouring land users in terms of noise, dust and traffic and the impact on visual amenity and land-

scape."

It said of the other one: "The proposal would result in an unacceptable adverse impacts on local residents, footpath and highway users as a result of prolonged disturbance in terms of noise, dust and traffic."









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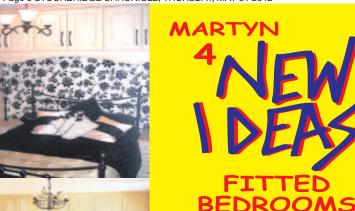
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My mother needed nursing care and me and my brother visited 25 homes around the West Midlands and were not happy with the state of the homes we had seen. We thought our mother were least work well together. My mother had seen were could find. We visited the Coach House after included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made over least included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made over least five as included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made over least five as included in every step of the way. The home had an active social programme, the activity coordinator made value for excellent by the basic match and took time to talk trained nurses, trained carers in tous. The room was clean and comforting the care for a the Coach House. I am very happy to tell as many people about this gem of a place.

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Officials are the empire builders of authority

ABSOLUTELY delighted is how Sean Percival describes the loss of control at Dudley council by the Conserva-

council by the Conservatives.

Does he realise that whoever is in power, the paid officials in the authority make most of the decisions and advise the council accordingly.

Paid officials are empire builders, the more people they employ the larger the remuneration for those at the top of the payscale. The possibility of staff reductions other than by natural wastage is fiercely opposed by both the trade unions and the people at the top.

When Mr Percival indicates the Tory council awarded themselves a 22 percent pay rise, does he really believe Labour will reverse the decision?

everse the decision?

ROY SLIMM

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LETTERS to the Editor

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters.

Rules are rules for all of the F1 drivers

AS A keen fan of Formula 1, I am able to answer the question asked by G Griffiths about why Lewis Hamilton was

tion asked by G Griffiths about why Lewis Hamilton was excluded from qualifying at the recent Spanish Grand Prix. As G Griffiths pointed out, the qualifying session is split into three segments, and many wondered why Lewis simply wasn't excluded from the third and final segment of the session, which would have resulted in him starting 11th on the grid instead of last.

The answer is contained in article 6.6.2 of the Formula 1 Technical Regulations, which state if a fuel sample is required after a practice or qualifying session, then the car must be driven back to the pits under its own power. The qualifying session is seen simply as one session — it is split must be driven back to the pits under its own power. The qualifying session is seen simply as one session — it is split into three segments, but it is one session. As Lewis couldn't drive his car back to the pits at the end of the session then he was excluded from the entire session, rather than from just one segment of the session. Many people may agree with G Griffiths, but the rules are there for all drivers. DARREN COX Charlecote Drive, Dudley

Thanks for report on Pcso hearing

THANK you Stourbridge Chronicle and Express & Star for your reports, free from spin, on the Warwick court case against ex-Pcso

Sylvia Cooper.

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needs at all times.

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ignation.

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Oven firm is celebrating Marina decision delay

marina can be built in a South Staffordshire village bigger than originally proposed has been deferred.

Planning bosses put the decision on hold after 10 councillors visited the

Their visit raised fresh fears about

Their visit raised fresh fears about parking problems if the 236-berth marina for Swindon is given the goahead.

The delay will allow talks to be held on preventing escalating parking problems in the village before South Staffordshire Council planning committee meets next month.

Following a meeting of the council's

regulatory committee last night, the council's development manager Sarah Poxon said: "There was concern from councillors at the amount of on street parking they found in the area and how much this might be exacerbated by the marina development.

"We will now be taking another look at this. We will talk to the county council who are the highways authority about the levels of car parking needed.

Informative

"We will then assess the situation on the information available and hope-fully be in a position to report back to the committee at its next meeting." Councillor Brian Cox, chairman of the regulatory committee, added: "Site

things can look different when you see them on the ground rather than on a plan."

them on the ground rather than on a plan."

Opposition to the marina has been led by members of the parish council and grew when the plan was altered to make the scheme more financially viable by increasing the number of boats that could be moored at the site alongside Swindon High Street from 199 to 236.

Town planners had still recommended the scheme for approval believing the benefits it would bring to the village amounted to the 'very special circumstances' necessary to justify approval.

That conclusion will now be reconsidered after the site visit.

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Mushroom Green.

They will also hold two Breeze (ladies only) rides and at the same time run a sepa-

rate ride for men.

Get Cycling for 50 Plus is delivered

in a spin to enjoy sights

through Age UK Dudley's LEAP Over 50 Project. They also run a series of walks through Healthy Footsteps for 50 Plus with a new programme being published at the end of June ready for summer.

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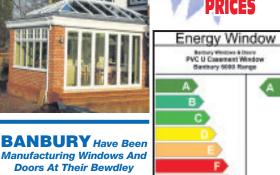
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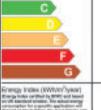
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NHS Charity fundraiser Karen Phillips preparing to host the fitness event in aid of NHS charities

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The Dudley Group NHS Charity, which supports patients and their families at the borough's hospitals, is behind the

and their families at the borougn's nospitals, is beauth are scheme.

People can run, swim, walk, cycle or row, or a combination of all five, for either 30k or 80k over a 12-week period with distances being logged.

The challenge will be held at Le Club Leisure Centre at the Copthorne Hotel, Brierley Hill and will run from June until September. The charity's fundraising co-ordinator Karen Phillips said: "Promoting healthy living is a huge part of The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust philosonhy

phy.

"It's good to be able to incorporate this challenge into the

charity's itinerary.

"We are extremely grateful to the Copthorne Hotel for

Anyone interested in taking part in the effort to fund home comforts and can contact the trust on 01384 45611 ext

Find camera to make date with calendar

BUDDING photographers can enter a competition being run by a garden centre near Stourbridge.

Winning photographs will be selected for a charity calendar which will raise money for five Midland hospices. The contest, which is in its eighth year, is being run by Webbs Garden Centre in West Hagley.

More than 1500 inserts were entered from 330 photography.

Garden Centre in West Hagley.

More than 1,500 images were entered from 330 photographers in last year's competition. Webbs is looking for photographs of flowers, gardens, garden scenes and wildlife. Money raised from the sale of the calendar will go to St Richard's, Primrose, Kemp, Mary Stevens and Acorns hospices in Worcestershire.

The competition is open to people of all ages. Judging will take place in the middle of next month and the 12 winning entries will be featured in the calendar, with each winning photographer credited. The calendar will go on sale in the autumn. Visit www.webbsdirect.co.uk

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Restaurant found in filthy state

has been fined after environmental health officers discovered dirty floors and broken equipment during an inspection two years ago.
A court heard that Saffron House in

A court near that Saifron Fouse in Market Street, Stourbridge was in a filthy condition when they visited the premises on August 22 2010. Officers discovered there was no running hot water, dirty floors, walls and hand basins, a leaking freezer and faulty

electrical equipment. There were also stained display cabinets and shelves. Marcus Kraehling-Smith, prosecuting on behalf of Dudley Council told Wolverhampton Crown Court that Saffron House boss Alexander Bethan Saffron Boss Alexander Bethan Saff wolvernampton Crown Court Lina Saffron House boss Alexander Bethan was interviewed in November 2010, but summonses alleging breaches of hygiene were not issued until August last year.

Responsibility

Malcolm Fowler, defending, said the 44-year-old had been in Iran and had left the takeaway in the hands of a

Bethan, from Pearson Street, Blakenhall, who severed links with the takeaway shortly after the visit, pleaded guilty to nine breaches of food hygiene regulations at the Saffron House. He was fined £1,000 and ordered to do 120 hours unpaid work. Judge John Warner said: "No expert analysis was necessary to establish this was a filthy place."

Restoration work on museum engine picking up speed

Engineers viewed progress on the refurbishment of one of the most significant engineering achievements in history as part of a visit to the West Midlands.

Richard Coackley saw the work on preparing the Newcomen Engine for its 300th anniversary at Black Country Living Museum on a tour of the region.

the move so demand can The technological advancement it brought impacted greatly upon the mining industry and set the stage for the acceleration of the Industrial Revolution. be satisfied

A SOUTH Staffordshire brewery is to open bigger premises to cope with demand for its beers.

Kinver Brewery was started in 2004 by Dave Kelly and Ian Davies.

It has run as a two-man operation since then, but because of the growing demand for its award-winning real ales it needs to find bigger premises.

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find bigger premises.

Mr Davies said that the
company's current unit at
Fairfield Drive was also
going to be knocked down
when the lease ends.
They are planning to open
a new 12-barrel brewery
once suitable premises have
been found in the village.
The current five-barrel
brewery only produces 180
gallons of brew three times a
week. The move to bigger
premises would mean them
brewing twice a week.
Mr Davies said the firm
was also likely to look at
taking on staff eventually.
Kinver Half Centurion, a
five per cent pale premium
titter executed to reach the

Kinver Half Centurion, a five per cent pale premium bitter created to mark the 50th birthdays of both founders, won a silver medal at the Great British Beer Festival in the strong bitter category last year. Its Khyber, Edge and Over the Edge beers have also won awards at beer festivals. The full range of Kinver

The full range of Kinver beers will be on sale in the

Brewery on The Newcomen Engine played an important role in Britain's industrial development.

the Industrial Revolution.
Thomas Newcomen, in seeking a solution to the challenge of coal mines in Staffordshire, Warwickshire and Tyneside being flooded during the late 17th century, invented an engine that could pump water from the mines.

mines.
Newcomen's first successful steam engine is recog-nised as that built in 1712 just a stone's throw away from the Black Country Living Museum.

Restored

The engine spread throughout the country as steam power became a force for economic growth and the name Black Country was born.

Mr Coackley visited the only full-sized working replica of the 1712 engine which was unveiled back in 1986.

It is being lovingly

which was unveiled back in 1986. It is being lovingly restored to celebrate the 300th anniversary of Newcomen's breakthrough. He said: "Here in the West Midlands, thanks to this feat of engineering, power was at the convenience of people and not nature. "It was an example of how engineering can change the world.

Despite the continuing

Despite the continuing economic gloom, the creativity, innovation and professionalism of engineers is

"For Britain, the role of the civil engineer will be as crucial to meeting our carbon emissions target as it



From left: David Eveleigh, director of collections, ing and research BCLM, conservation consultant Willis and ICE president Richard Coackley

was to industralisation in the 19th century."

David Eveleigh, who is director of collections, learn-ing and research at Black Country Living Museum said: "We are proud to said: "We are proud to welcome the Institute of Civil Engineers to the Museum to review the restoration work on the Newcomen Engine prior to

to industrialisation in its tercentenary celebra-9th century." its tercentenary celebra-tion." The visit coincided with the ICE West Midlands awards held at the ICC in Birmingham.

The event saw a project based at SITA's Wolverhampton processing plant which recycles road sweep-ings from seven West Mid-lands local authorities scoop

Glass work captured for posterity

Stourbridge, are working on a number of new designs. Included of the Portland Vase

which dates to 25AD, the Amphora Portland Vase and the Auldjo Jug. They are being prepared for the International Festival of Glass in

already created the blanks which are now being carved by cameo glass engraver Terri Colledge.

The project is nearing completion and the whole process has been filmed for documentary to be released on dvd later this year. Graham Fisher,

A BOOK and film are being compiled about a project to create replicas of historic vases at a glass centre.

Staff at the Ruskin Glass Centre, in Expert Richard Golding has a member of the British Glass Foundation, is also writing a book telling the story of how the work came about.

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at an event organised by the glass foundation at Hagley Hall later in

foundation at magic, some following August.

"From Rome to Stourbridge – 2,000 years of cameo glass", will be held on August 22 from 2pm to 7pm at 18th century Hagley Hall.

Changes to quarry access Changes to the time lorries can enter a Kingswinford quarry have been approved despite objections from people living near the site. Sosses at Ketley Quarry had submitted a planning application to alter the earliest arrival time for loaded vehicles at its Dudley Road entrance from 8am to 7.30am. The planning application, which will keep the arrival time for unloaded lorries at 7.30am, was given the go-ahead by Dudley council planners last night. No changes will be made to the time loaded lorries are allowed to enter through the Ketley Road entrance and this will remain at 8am. There had been 21 letters of objection from people living near the site who were

Residents lose fight over Devastation as dream car st



Stolen - a restored classic Austin Mini Designer

CAR enthusiast Chris Garratt has been left devastated after his classic Mini was stolen from

classic Mini was stolen from outside his house.

The 20-year-old from Oldswinford had spent two years restoring his dream car -the Austin Mini Designer.

He had painstakenly rebuilt the engine and upgraded the suspension and brake system to present-day standards.

But thieves struck during the early hours lest weak and whon Mr Garratt woke up he

But thieves struck during the early hours last week and when Mr Garratt woke up he was shocked to see the car, which was a limited edition, had gone from the driveway in Arlington Court.

He said police were now investigating the theft but he was hopeful of being reunited with his precious car, which is black with a white roof and white stripes along the bonnet.

Mr Garratt said he had spent every free moment working on the car and was "angry" that it had been stolen.

"I had always wanted a classic Mini so I am gutted this has happened." I was shocked when I saw my car had gone. I spent all the time I had working on it. It was a fun car to drive. I am really hoping the police can find who took it and I can get it back," he said.

Mr Garratt, who is a trained mechanic, had also carried out repair work on the wheels and the front grill of the car during the past two years.

years.
His father Steve added: "This car was obviously his pride and joy, especially with the hours of work put into the car."
Both father and son are now appealing for anyone who may see the car – which has the registration number F645 GTO – on the roads to get in touch with Stourbridge police.

Fury at tree pruning



Roy Stockton near trees in Wollaston which he says have been cut back too severely.

TREES in a Black Country village are at risk of dying out due to "overly severe" pruning taking place too late in the year, it has been claimed.

Work to strip trees on land between Meriden Avenue and Bridgnorth Road, Wollaston, Stourbridge by Dudley Council has been branded "vandalism" by an angry resident

Council has been brance variation.

Roy Stockton, who has lived in Wollaston for 50 years, said the trees had been left in a "shocking" condition. He said one tree was already dead from pruning carried out in previous years and another was barely alive. The 75-year-old avid gardener said: "I am concerned the other trees will go the same way after this work was carried out.

out.
"It was carried out about a month ago which is the start

"It was carried out about a month ago which is the start of the budding season for trees and far too late for this type of thing to be carried out.

"Any pruning should have taken place at the end of last year. In my view what has happened is not pruning but vandalism."

Dudley Council cabinet member responsible for greencare Councillor Judy Foster said: "The council employs expert tree professionals in order to carry out work, and ensure the highest possible quality of care for the borough's trees. Our team took into account the area and the species of tree before carrying out any work."

Hope for freight line

Walsall to Stourbridge freight rail line will reopen in a £100 million scheme. Network Rail is in the process of carrying out a full review of rail capacity demand of freight.

Bosses at Centro believe this review will support the case for reopening the line.

Resignalling work is taking place in Walsall, which has seen activity taking place close to the M6 at Bescot junction. Centro spokesman Steve Swingler said: "The work is part of a Network Rail project to re-signal the Walsall area. The project involves laying a short stretch of track to create a loop for freight trains to run around the northern junction of the old Walsall to Stourbridge line.
"The loop will give freight trains coming into the Mid-

"The loop will give freight trains coming into the Mid-lands on existing lines much easier access to the Chase Line backing parth"

lands on existing lines much easier access to the Chase Line heading north."
He added: "Reopening the Walsall/Stourbridge freight line is a key element of our rail strategy and we are working closely with rail industry partners and the Governmet on ways to fund the estimated £100 million cost. Network Rail is also in the process of carrying out a study into the demand of freight."

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Then . . . the 1953 coronation street party photo that inspired the reunion, and right, Mike Writtle and Pearl Cooksey

Then . . . the 1953 coronation street party photo that inspired the reunion, and AROUND 100 former neighbours and school friends gathered for a community reunion in Dudley – inspired by a photograph taken almost 60 years ago. The picture in question features a street party in celebrating the Queen's coronation in 1953. The whole Dudley Wood community had come together back then to fly the flag. Mike Writtle, who was in the photograph and used to live on Dudley Wood Road organised the first Dudley Wood Road, Wordsley added: "My family owned a sweet shop, so everyone remembers the sweets. I was very popular because of it."

Supplied the reunion, and organised another one for the practical practical

dright, Mike Writtle and Pearl Cooksey
Jennifer Tomkins. The 63-year-old of
Hunter's Ride, Stourbridge said: "We
were so lucky we had such an idyllic,
and safe childhood." Our lives were
totally centred around the street, and
we would go out a play."
Pat Willetts nee Bradley and Edna
Borgsteede nee Kilvert, both aged 73,
met at the Dudley Wood School and
became life long friends.
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A new joint entrance will be built for both sites with a link road and a new car park in a bid to attract one million visitors a year.

The Castle Hill regeneration project kicked off in April

when work started on the new £6 million archives building in Tipton Road. The next phase of the scheme is expected to begin sometime in June.

It is hoped the work will be complete by the end of the year. The project includes a new joint entrance and visitor centre for the attractions so people can pay to access all the sixte together.

sites together.

Access

A new road will also run between the museum and zoo, while a car park with up to 1,000 spaces will cater for all the The road will run from near the former Trading Post

The road will run from near the former Trading Post premises in Castle Hill to the back of the museum in Tipton Road. It will also provide access to Dudley Canal Trust at the back of the museum. The plans became a reality when a bid for £4.5m of European funding was approved last year. Dudley Council leader David Sparks said: "Preparations are well under way on the Castle Hill regeneration project, which is expected to bring thousands of extra visitors to the attractions, and work is expected to start shortly."

Heritage revealed

THE HISTORY of canals booked in advance on 01384 and the glassmaking industry will be put under the spotlight at a Black Country museum.

1. Tracy Wood, museum.

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own songs and, two, was
date a celebrity to get in the
tabloids because, according
to Walsh, you are no one
unless you are in the 'Red
Tops'. Fortunately Gemma
said no to both requests. said no to both requests.

said no to both requests.

She has a fantastic wit and
Irish sense of self-deprecation and, although many of
her songs are melancholic,
somehow they don't bring
you down. In tunes such as
In Over My Head – which
she dedicated to Walsh – it
sounded like a lament while
its thumping backbeat and
Gemma's silky voice gave it
the lift it needed.

Hammers

In the simple acoustic ballad November, Gemma's vocals were displayed in all their glory with her strong emotional tone in every line. Her songs really do have power and, for a petite woman, she hammers her guitar almost as hard as Christy Moore.

One of the highlights of

One of the highlights of the night was her song Oliver, which is about a boy called Willie, you will have to go to one of her concerts to get the full story behind that

Danny Farragher

Louis's loss Summertime and living is is our gain Glee Club, Birmingham REGARDLESS of singer German Hayes' talent, she deserves respect for kicking Louis Walsh into touch. The specific of the

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in the wisecracking style of
Lucille Ball or Rosalind
Russell.
She plays a struggling
journalist who arrives in the
Big Apple with her blonde
bombshell sister, played
with eye-catching panache
by Lucy van Gasse. Their
voices, Fisher mellow and
van Gasse a soprano, complimented each other.
This amusing homage to
1930s New York was not one
of Bernstein's best and has no
memorable tunes. It's also
riddled with historical errors,
including references to JFK

riddled with historical errors, including references to JFK and James Dean.

But effervescent performances and high production values won the day.

Leon Burakowski

The company are relocating the The company are relocating the depression era musical drama in 1970s apartheid South Africa, in the township of Soweto.

Originally written by George and Ira Gershwin in the 1930s, and set a decade earlier in America's Deep South, it features several classic soors.

Jazz

Summertime, It Ain't Necessarily So, I Got Plenty of Nuttin', and I Loves You Porgy, have all become jazz standards.

The story tells of Porgy's attempts to rescue his beloved Bess from the influence of a drug dealer and also from her violent, possessive lover.

The South African company, was formed in 1999 to develop opera in South Africa and to develop South African singers, will be staged in

South Africa and to develop South African singers, will be staged in Birmingham prior a London run.

The role of Bess will be shared by Soweto-born Tsakane Maswanganyi, Sibongile Mngoma and Nohnhlanhla Yende. The role of Porgy is between Xolela Sixaba and Kaiser Nkosi.

Porgy and Bess will be staged at the Hippodrome from Wednesday, June 6, to Saturday, June 9. Tickets are priced from £15 to £60.

Other opera highlights coming to

are priced from £15 to £60.
Other opera highlights coming to
the Hippodrome include Welsh
National Opera with Puccini's La
Boheme from June 13 to 15, and
Wagner's Tristan and Isolde on June
16.



Singer hit by poor sound

Lucy Rose, Slade Rooms, Wolverhampton

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UNDOUBTEDLY Lucy Rose has talent but it
wasn't best displayed at the Slade Rooms in Wolverhampton.
The acoustics and sound management in the
venue were appalling and did her no favours at all.
She went through her set list which included
Night Bus, Scar, Don't You Worry and her new song
Lines.

Danny Favragher

Danny Farragher

Teenagers in love for nostalgic songs

Save The Last Dance For Me, Wolverhampton Grand WELL they certainly did save the best until last as they harmonised and ran through a lot of those famil-

iar songs from the 1960s.

Written by Laurence Marks and Maurice Gran, who col-laborated to bring hit show Dreamboats And Petticoats to the stage, this is a similar jukebox musical using the songs of Doc Pomus and Mort Shuman.

Set in the early 1960s the songs were all there but somehow it lacked the magic of Dreamboats.

Save The Last Dance For Me told the story of two teenage sisters in the summer of 1963 on holiday in Lowestoft.

Their boring rain-soaked holiday started to look up when

they met a good-looking American airman who invited them to a dance at a nearby US air force base.

But a holiday romance brought to the fore several more erious issues, such as racism.

Rush

Certainly the songs came thick and fast but it seemed more quantity than quality, as though there was a rush to fit them all in.

The voices were all good and the band even better, but there was no-one who stood out.

Megan Jones was a perfect choice for the starry-eyed schoolgirl Marie and Hannah Frederick as Jennifer, her older more streetwise sister.

The audience was encouraged to sing along and did to so to numbers such as A Teenager in Love.

The young cast, including 'Elvis', covered many old forwarites with with his increase.

The young cast, including favourites with enthusiasm.

The show continues at the Grand this week with its last erformance on Saturday night

Sue Attwater



RETURNING to London from Los Angeles, where she has been writing and recording songs for her third album, Kate Nash has announced the Faster Pussycat Run Run tour to

Pussyeat Run Run tour to preview new material. Brit Award-winner Nash, who made a big impact with her debut album Made Of Bricks will be at Birmingham's Glee Club on June 24. Tickets cost £15. Call 0871 4720400.

Folk singer has town hall date

VETERAN Irish folk singer Mary Black brings her considerable talents to the Town Hall, Birmto the Town Hall, Birmingham, on June 7. She will be promoting her latest album, Stories from the Steeples. The concert starts 7.30pm and tickets cost £15, £19.50 or £24.50. Call 0121 780 4949.

Funky festival ahead

FUNK legends George Clinton and the Family Stone headline the Mostly Jazz Funk & Soul Festival at Birmingham's Moseley Park (June 29-July 1).

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CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Omnibus CBS Drama, 9pm

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation is the drama series about a team of forensic investigators trained to solve crimes the old-fashioned way – by examining the evidence The team is on the case 24-7, scouring the scene, collecting the irrefutable evidence and finding the missing pieces that will solve the mystery. In tonight's episode, "Face Lift" Grissom and Catherine's robbery homicide investigation leads to a hizarre discovery while Warrick and Sara try to solve the case of a woman burned to ashes

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 Raymond Blanc's Kitchen Secrets. (R) 12.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather: 12.10 Football Focus. 12.50 Racing from Epsom: Derby Day, 4.30 BBC News: Regional News: Weather: 4.46 Forintiess (2007) 3.35 Film: Ratubuille. (2007)

7.20 The Voice UK: The Final. The Voice UK: The Final. After four weeks of blind auditions, two battle rounds and five live shows, the final is here – with four singers all eager to be crowned The Voice 2012 and win a recording contract. Holly Willoughby and Reggie Yates present as the hopefuls present as the hopefuls will be the contract of the view of atter which it's over to the voting public to decide who they want as their winner. Last in the series.

The National Lottery Saturday Night Draws.

Myleene Klass presents the Lotto and Thunderball

Lotto and Inunderbail draws.

9.30 Casualty. Part one of two. Charlie discovers a patient is being harassed by loan sharks, while Lenny finds out Britney has arranged to meet an acquaintance from an internet chat room.

10.20 BBC News; Weather.

10.40 The Apprentice: Why I Fired Them. As a curtain-raiser to tomorrow's final, Alan Sugar looks back on the tasks from the series and explains what prompted him to fire each candidate along the way; National Lottery Update.

11.40 Live at the Apollo. (R)

12.10 The Derby Highlights. 12.40 Weatherview. 12.45 BBC News.

RRC2

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 12.1u Film: Robin and the 7 Hoods. (1964) 2.10 Film: Shall We Dance? (2004) 3.50 Escape to the Country. (R) 4.50 Flog it 15.50 The Story of Light Entertainment. (R) 6.50 Dad's Army. Walker is caught smuggling Italian PoWs out of camp at night, but far from being a traitor, he is furthering the war effort – and making some money on the side. (R)

on the side. (R)
7.20 Arts Troubleshooter. Part
two of two. Michael Lynch
tries to bring long-term
financial stability to the
Theatre Royal in Bury St
Edmunds, which has fallen
on hard times since its
£5million restoration.

8.20 How to Paint a Queen: A Culture Show Special.
Alastair Sooke examines depictions of Britain's female rulers, from Mary Tudor and Elizabeth I to Queen Victoria and Elizabeth II to Response to the control of the c

and Elizabeth II.

9.20 QI XL. Stephen Fry is joined by Ross Noble, Dara O Briain, Jeremy Clarkson and regular panellist Alan Davies for an extended edition of the quiz, asking questions on idleness. (R)

Idleness. (R)

10.05 Robin Gibb: Me and My
Songs, a Tribute. An
interview with the musician,
who died last month at the
age of 62.

age of 62.

10.35 Top of the Pops 2: Bee Gees
Special. Collection of
performances from the BBC archives. (R)

archives. (H)

11.20 Sings Bee Gees. A
celebration of the songs
written by the Gibb brothers.

11.50 Film: Fame. (1980) Musical
drama, starring Irene Cara.

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up to £250,000.

9.00 The Greatest Footie Ads
Ever. Paddy McGuinness
presents this one-off
programme guiding viewers
through 30 years of
incredible, bizarre,
spectacular and much-loved
football commercials.

10.00 ITV News; Weather

10.15 International Football.
England v Belgium. Matt
Smith presents highlights of
the friendly encounter at
Wembley Stadium.

10.45 Film: Demolition Man. (1993) Sci-fi thriller, with Sylvester Stallone, Wesley Snipes and Sandra Bullock.

12.55 The Store; ITV News Headlines. 3.00 In Plain Sight. (R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV

CHANNEL 4

Bernatschke hosts the final dinner party in Bristol, hoping her international menu, sumptuous home an snow machine will enchant the guests. (R)

6.50 Channel 4 News.

7.15 4thought.tv. Adam Atkins reflects on hiding his beliefs first when his father hid the family's Muslim faith while he was growing up in London and then concealing his atheism in the Middle

East.
7.20 Film: The Lord of the Rings:
The Return of the King.
(2003) As Frodo and Sam
near the end of their quest,
their friends face a final battle
with the forces of darkness.
Climax of the fantasy trilogy,
starring Elijah Wood.

starring Elijah Wood.

11.05 Film: Alien. (1979) A cargo spacecraft is invaded by a deadly creature that begins preying on the crew. Ridley Scott's sci-fi horror, with Sigourney Weaver, Tom Skerritt and Ian Holm.

1.20 Film: 21 Grams. (2003) 3.15 Stand Up for the Week. (R) 4.00 Smallville. (R) 4.40 St Elsewhere. (R) 5.30 Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Inside Hollywood. 10.05 The Gadget Show: World Tour. (R) 11.05 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. (R) 12.05 Film: Carson City. (1952) 1.50 Film: Objective, Burmal (1945) 4.35 S Weeve, Weekend. 4.40 Film: The Secret Garden. (1930)

10.20 Law & Order: Special
Victims Unit. A woman
reports the disappearance of
her granddaughter.

11.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. A woman's body is found underneath prison bus. (R)

prison bus. (R) 12.15 SuperCasino. 4.00 Great Artists. (R) 4.25 Nick's Quest. (R) 4.45 Rough Guide to Adventures. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshakel Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Doctor Who 7.45 Doctor Who
Confidential 8.00 Film: Pirates of
the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
(2006) 10.20 Russell Howard's
Good News Extra 11.05 Family Guy
11.50 American Dad!
BBC Faur

7.00 Talk at the BBC 8.00 Lost Kingdoms of Africa 9.00 Sebastian Bergman 10.30 American Nomads ITV2

3.10 America's Got Talent 6.00 You've Been Framed! Top 100 Kids 7.00 Film: About a Boy (2002) 9.00 Film: Notting Hill (1999) 11.30 Film: Eyes Wide Shut (1999)

2.35 Rosemary & Thyme 4.05 Film: Murder, She Wrote: A Story to Die For (2000) 6.00 Foyle's War 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Lewis 11.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot

9.30 Live French Open Tennis. The concluding day of third-round matches in Paris. 8.00 British Superbike Championos British 9.00 TT 2012 10.00 Film: Carlito's

3.35 Charlie's Angels 4.30 Revenge 5.30 How I Met Your Mother 6.30 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 Rules of Engagement 8.30 How I Met Your Mother 9.00 Film: Zoolander (2001) 10.45 The Big Bang Theory 11.40 The Cleveland Show

Film4
3.10 Singin' in the Rain (1952) 5.15
Robots (2005) 7.00 Mad Money
(2008) Crime comedy, starring
Diane Keaton, Queen Latifah and
Katie Holmes. 9.00 Layer Cake
(2004) Crime thriller, starring Daniel
Craig, Michael Gambon, Colm Meaney, Kenneth Cranham and Sienna Miller. 11.05 Chocolate (2008)







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CHOICE



Alan Sugar features

The Apprentice: The BBC1, 8.30pm

There's a general view that this hasn't been a classic series of The Apprentice -maybe it's because the format is getting a little over-familiar. However, that could all change as we get to the final, because it's the interview task. Traditionally, this is the time when Alan Sugar's trusted associates go through the candidates' CVs and discover some glaring inconsistencies, but it won't just be their resumes that are under scrutiny. The finalists also have their business plans to talk up if they want to secure that £250,000

6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 Bargain Hunt. (R) 12.30 Songs of Frainer of the Week Ahead. 12.00 Bargain Hunt. (R) 12.30 Songs of Prayer of Julie Transes Pageant. Huw Edwards, Matt Baker and Sophie Rewordth host wie cowerage as the flottlia of more than 1,000 vessels travels along the Thames from Battersea to Tower Bridge in celebration of the Queen's 60-year reign. Other guests include Grant and the Hornble Histories Goyear reign. Other guests include Grant and the Hornble Histories Sue Johnston, Omid Djalli, Griff Rhys Jones, Frank Skinner, Richard Grant and the Hornble Histories spectators from across the UK and Commonwealth who have travelled to London to witness the event. 6.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

- Weather.
 6.30 Countryfile. The team visits
 Northern Ireland. Including
 Weather for the Week Ahead.
- 7.30 Gary Barlow On Her Majesty's Service. The singer's mission to record a song for the Queen.
- song for the Queen.

 8.30 The Apprentice: The Final.
 The last four candidates face
 the interview task to
 determine the winner, after
 which Dara O Briain speaks
 to the main players in the
 You're Hired studio. Last in
 the perior.
- the series. 10.30 BBC News; Regional News;
- Weather.
 10.55 The Diamond Jubilee
 Thames Pageant
 Highlights.

Highlights. 7. L. 25 The Sky at Night. 12.45 Weatherview. 12.50 Sign Zone: National Treasures – Jubilee Special. (R) 1.50 Holby City. (R) 2.50 Two Greedy Italians: Still Hungry. (R) 3.50 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 4.20 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.30 Great British Menu. (R) 12.00 Escape to the Country. (R) 12.30 Live MotoSP. 2.00 Word British Championships. 2.30 Gymnastics. 4.00 Fingui Thesean heads for Barrowin-Furness, Cumbria. 5.00 Fingui Thesean heads for Barrowin-Furness, Cumbria. 7.00 Stimpagne 1942: For Compagne 1942: For Comp

- Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria
 7.00 Singapore 1942: End of
 Empire. Conclusion. The
 chaotic end of the Second
 World War battle for
 Singapore, which saw
 Japanese troops overwhelm
 Commonwealth forces and
 former masters.
- former masters.

 8.00 Indian Opean with Simon Reeve. Simon travels from Indonesia to Australia, visiting the epicentre of the 2004 Isunami, investigating the trade in illegal pets and meeting a crocodile hunter. Last in the series.

 9.00 Coast. Exploring Britain's
- Last in the series.

 9.00 Coast. Exploring Britain's maritime stories, including the Great Storm of 1703 and how the timings of the D-Day landings were determined by RAF weather forecasters.

 10.00 TOTP2 Donna Summer.
 Mark Radcliffe introduces an
- ivial K Maucilite Introduce archive tribute to the late singer.

 10.30 When Disco Ruled the World Documentor:
- 10.30 When Disco Ruled the World. Documentary exploring the music, films and fashions of the late 1970s, including interviews with the eral's stars and a reflection on music by Donna Summer, who died last morths, (b. Sean and Beverly are as in Pucks (due Matt's and Pucks).
- **12.00 Film:** The Hoax. (2006) **1.50** BBC News. **4.20** Close.

- 6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 8.25 Dinner Date. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 Live French Open Tennis. The start of the fourth round in both the men's and women's draws.
- 6.00 Regional Programme; Weather. 6.15 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 All the Queen's Horses:
 - ITV News; Weather.
 All the Queen's Horses: A
 Diamond Jubilee Special. A
 spectacular pageant to
 celebrate the Queen's 60year reign, hosted by Alan
 Titchmarsh. Set in the
 grounds of Windsor Castle,
 this historic occasion
 features horses and
 performers from around the
 world From the New South performers from around the world. From the New South Wales Mounted Police to the Marwari Horses of India, each act demonstrates its national identity and all six continents are represented by stars of stage and screen, including Helen Mirren, Rolf Harris, Omid Djalili and
- 8.30 Coronation Street. Rick offers Tommy a way out one last job that will clear his debt, while Norris and Mary spot Dennis with old flame spot Dennis with oid Tiarrie Norma and take a photo to show Rita.
- show Rita.

 9.00 Vera. The detective investigates a suspicious death in an army barracks that was designed to look like suicide, and uncovers a event nobody wants to talk about. Last in the series. Postponed from May 13.

 11.00 ITV News; Weather.

 11.20 The Curbe. (R)
- 11.20 The Cube. (R) 12.20 The Store; ITV News. 2.30 British Superbike Championship Highlights. 3.30 Motorsport UK. 4.25 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV

CHANNEL 4

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The Treacle People. (R) 6.25

The Hoobs. (R) 6.50 The Hoobs. (R) 7.15 Channel 4 Presents—
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Stateman Triathlon. 8.10

Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.35 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 9.00 Frasier. (R) 9.30 Frasier. (R) 10.00 Stronger Services (R) 10.00 Stro

- 6)
 Celebrity Deal or No Deal.
 Pop band McFly take part in
 the the game show, trying to
 guess the value of the
 mystery boxes and win up to
 £250,000 for their chosen e250,000 for their chose charity. Hosted by Noel Edmonds.
 Channel 4 News.
 4thought.tv.
 The Political Slot. With Simon Hughes, Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats.
 Suner Sprimners Hot

- SuperScrimpers Hot Summer Tips. Money-saving advice for summer 8.00
- nolidays.
 Film: District 9. (2009)
 Premiere. Oppressed aliens
 confined to a South African
 slum find an ally in a
 bureaucrat undergoing a
 strange transformation. Scifi drama, with Shartto Copley
 and Jason Cope.
- 11.05 Film: Broken Arrow. (1996) Action thriller, with John Travolta and Christian Slater. 1.15 Camelot. (R) 2.10 The Moonbird. (R) 2.25 Shapes. (R)
- 2.30 Hollyoaks. (R) 4.30 Deal No Deal. (R) 5.25 Countdown

CHANNEL 5

CHANNEL 5
6.00 Milkshakel: Peppa Pig. 6.05
Roary the Bacing Car. (R) 6.15 Fifi
and the Flowertots. (R) 6.25 City of
Friends. (R) 6.40 Harry and His
Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) 6.55 Liby
Edition of Dinosaurs. (R) 6.50
Castle Farm. (R) 6.55 Abby Flying
Fairy School. 7.05 Roobarb and
Custard Too. (R) 7.15 Bananas in
Pyjamas. (R) 7.25 Familyl (R) 7.35
hoddy in Toyland. (R) 7.36 Descrit
7.35 Little Princess. (R) 8.05 Mio
Mao. (R) 6.13 Changed Control
Corky. (R) 8.25 Angelina Ballerina.
(R) 8.40 Rupert Bear. (R) 8.50 Ben
and Holly S. Little Kingdom. (R)
9.10 The Mr Men Show. (R) 9.20
Roary the Racing Car. (R) 9.35 The
Milkshakel Show. (R) 10.00 Animal
Rescue Squad. (R) 10.15 Merkat
Manor. (R) Elas Ballerina.
(R) 8.40 Rupert Bear. (R) 8.55 Min
Maron. (R) 1124 Ballerina.
(R) 1124 Scholl (R) 10.15 Film.
Ridiers of Vengeance. (1952) 3.25
Film: Sinbad and the Eye of the
Tiger. (1977) 5.40 Film: Big Daddy.
(1999)

- (1999)
 7.30 Once Upon a Time. Snow White discovers Prince Charming is to be married.
 8.30 Ultimate Police Interceptors. Highlights of the documentary. (R)

- Interceptors. Highlights of the documentary. (R) 8.55 5 News Weekend. 9.00 Film: The Ninth Gate. (1999). Roman Polanski's horror, starring Johnny Dep and Emmanuelle Seigner. 11.30 The Walking Dead. Shane is trapped inside a school surrounded by the undead. 12.30 The World of Stupid Criminals. (R) 1.00 SuperCasino. 4.00 The FBI Files. 4.45 Rough Guide to Activity Holidays. (R) 5.00
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DIGITAL

7.00 The Voice UK: The Final 9.00 Live at the Apollo 10.00 Family Guy 10.45 American Dad! 11.30 Russel Howard's Good News

Howard's Good News

BBC Four
7.00 Dinosaurs, Myths and
Monsters 8.00 The Two Thousand
Year Old Computer 9.00 The Elgin
Marbles 10.30 Delphi: The
Bellybutton of the Ancient World 11.30 Punk Britannia

ITV2
3.30 Film: The Flintstones (1994)
5.20 Film: Richie Rich (1994) 7.15
Film: Mr Bean's Holiday (2007)
9.00 Benidorm 10.00 Film: Wanted (2008) Action adventure, starring James McAvoy and Angelina Jolie.

4.50 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 Film: Fierce Creatures (1997) 10.55

ITV4

9.30 Live French Open Tennis. The start of the fourth round in both the men's and women's draws. 8.00 TT 2012: The Final Countdown 9.00 TT 2012 10.00 Film: The Krays (1990)

5.10 Glee 4.10 90210 5.05 The Big Bang Theory 6.05 Revenge 7.10 Film: Honey, I Shrunk the Kids (1989) 9.00 Desperate Housewives 11.00 2 Broke Girls 11.30 Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23

Film 3.05 Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid (1969) 5.15 The Simpsons Movie (2007) 7.00 Down with Love (2009) Romantic comedy with Love (2009) Romantic comedy McGregor and Ratize Zellwager, 9.00 The Time Traveler's Wife (2009) Romantic soi-if drama based on Audrey Niffeneger's novel, starring Rachel McAdams and Eric Bana. 11.05 Chopper (2000)







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BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 Fake Britain. 9.45 Fake Britain. 10.30 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 11.30 Cowboy Trap. (R) 12.15 Bargain Hunt 10th Anniversary Special. (R) 1.15 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 A Jubilee Tribute to the Queen by the Prince of Wales. (R) 2.45 Britain's Lost Routes with Griff Rhys Jones. (R) 3.45 The Queen's Palaces. (R) 4.45 Pointless. (R) 5.30 BBC News; Weather. 6.00 Regional News; Programmes; Weather. 6.00 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 6.30 The One Show. 730 The Diamond Jubilee Concert. 10.45 BBC News. 11.00 Regional News; Weathers. 11.10 Have I Got a Bit More News for You. (R) 11.50 The Graham Notion Show. (R) 12.35 Weathers with the Concert of the Co

(H) 3.40 Great British Menu. (R) 4.40 BBC News.

BEC 8.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30

CBeebies. 11.30 Film: Ring of Bright
Water. (1699) Prama. starring Bill Travers. 1.10

Film: College) Drama. starring Bill Travers. 1.10

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Film: College

News.

Channel 4 6.10 Sali Mali. (R) 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 705 Freshly Squeezed. 735 According to Jim. (R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Frasier. (R) 9.00 Underoover Boss Australia. (R) 10.00 Location, Location, Location, (R) 11.00 The Renovation Game. 12.00 Channel 4 News Midday Summary. 12.05 SuperScrimpers. 12.35 Clarinel 4 Presents — London Dreaming. (R) 5.01 Clarinel 4 Presents — London Dreaming. (R) 5.02 Clarinel 4 Presents — London Dreaming. (R) 5.03 Clarinel 4 Presents — London Dreaming. (R) 5.04 Clarinel 4 Presents — London Dreaming. (R) 5.05 Clarinel 4 News. 725 4thought. (R) 6.00 Dreaming. (R) 6.30 Come Dine with Me. (R) 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Gok Cooks Chinese. 9.00 The Secret Millionaire. 10.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut. 10.50 The Hoarder Next Door. (R) 11.55 Random Acts. 11.55 Embarrassing Bodies: Live from the Clinic. (R) 12.55 Girl Who Cries Blood. (R) 1.50 Rim: The Page Turner. (2006) French Infiller, starring Catherine Frol. 3.15 Emilys Song. (R) 3.30 Undressing My Mother. (R) 3.35 St Elsewhere. (R) 4.25 Smallville. (R) 5.05 Deal or No Deal. (R) 1.50 Rimsons (R) 6.30 Milkshakel 9.15 The

4.25 Smalfvillé. (R) 5.05 Deal or No Deal. (R)

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Tuesday

BEC 1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 The Diamond BBC News; Weather. 1.15 Regional News; Weather. 1.30 The Diamond Jubilee Carriage Procession. 3.45 The Diamond Jubilee Concert Highlights. 5.30 BBC News; Weather. 5.45 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 6.00 The One Show. 6.30 Rolf Paints – the Diamond Jubilee. 7.30 EastEnders. 8.00 Holby City. 9.00 Silk. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather.; National Lottery Update. 10.35 The Diamond Jubilee Weskern Highlights. 12.55 Film: La Bamba. (1987) Biopic of 1950s singer Ritchie Valens, starring Lou Diamond Philips. 1.50 Weatherview. 1.55 Sign. Zone: The Apprentice: The Final Five. (R) 2.55 Crime and Punishment. (R) 4.40 BBC News.

Crime and Punishment. (R) 4.40 BBC News.

BBC2 8.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30
CBeebies. 11.30 Film: Teacher's Pet.
(2004) Animated adventure, with the voice of
Nathan Lane. 12.40 Film: Tom's Midnight Garden.
(2000) Children's drama, starring Anthony Way.
2.15 Weakest Link. (R) 3.00 Heir Hunters. (R)
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11 1 5.00 Daybreak 8.30 Lorraine 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 15.5 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 May the Best House Win. 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 5.00 The Chase, (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News Heather. 10.35 Islim: The Eiger Sanction. (1975) Spy adventure, starring Clint Eastwood. 12.55 Jackpot/247; ITV News Headlines. 3.00 Film: Barb Wire. (1996) Sci-fi thriller, starring Pamela Anderson. 4.40 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

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World. 9.00 The Great British Story. 7.4 People's
History. 10.00 Episodes. 10.30 Newsnight. 11.00
The Book Review Show. 11.45 Weather. 11.50 Film:
The Black Balloon. (2008) Premiere. Drama, starring Rhys Wakefield and Luke Ford. 1.20
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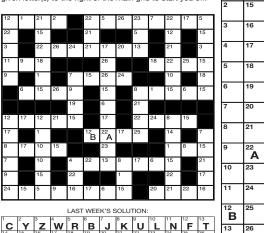
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Cryptic Clues:

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- 1. Five hundred and one fish (4)
- 3. He puts a word in when required (8)
- 8. Bird seen in southern England (4)
- 9. One debt I transferred, being submissive (8)
- 11. A result of smoking in bed? (5,2,5)

 13. Concerning bets on
- races (6)
- 14. It has no big clien-tele (6)
- 17. Postponing a mistake on the green? (7,2,3) **20.** Exits? (8)
- 21. Every atlas, I assume, includes it
- 22. Thankful to have finished one's duty
- 23. Lies about a geo
 - graphical feature (4) (4)

Quick Clues:

- 1. Tarry (4)
 3. Ready (8)
 8. Elan (4)
 9. Alienate (8)
 11. Public announce-
- ment (12)
- 14. Fruit (6)

- 23. Minus (4)



Double Crossword

Down

- 1. They may turn out
- 2. Hide at one time
- 4. Concerning a light
- from the fashion

- 15. Gets over life's
- burdens (7)

 16. A count ruefully hid

Start again (6)
 Airborne soldiers

5. Airborne soldiers (10)
6. Musical piece (5)
7. Expires (4)
10. Washing-line clip (7,3)
12. Stronghold (8)
15. Disturb (7)
16. Mourn (6)
18. Revises (5)
40. Tart (4)

19. Tart (4)

Down

- 1. Hungarian city (8) 2. Dissension (7)

- 13. Composed (6)
- 20. Lamed (8)
- 21. Speed (4)

- 22. Draughtsman (8)

- good actresses (8)
- found in California
- yellow check (6)

 5. Bridal accessory
- shop or toy shop 6. Unit of the Royal
- Marines (5)
- 7. Row about a custom (4)
 10. He's unlikely to be
- found out! (4-2-4)

 12. Sam feels different
 -- but isn't! (8)

- something false (6) 18. Some taunt I live up
- 19. African wasteland

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Church tower; 9 Looks in; 10 Tulle; 11 Inset; 12
Ordered; 13 Gopher; 15 Solemn; 18 Epicure; 20 Fatal; 22 Pluto; 23 Ignored; 24 Parting shot. Down: 2 Hooks; 3 Rosette; 4 Hansom; 5 Opted;
6 Enlarge; 7 Flying leaps; 8 Leading lady; 14 Primula; 16 Offends;
17 Lesion; 19 U-boat; 21 Torso. QUICK - Across: 1 Whereabouts; 9
Mounted; 10 Timid; 11 Eaten; 12 Condone; 13 Mocked; 15 Aghast; 18
Narrate; 20 Amass; 22 Nalad; 23 Caption; 24 Free-and-easy. Down:
2 Haunt; 3 Retinue; 4 Abduct; 5 Often; 6 Tombola; 7 Impermanent; 8
Advertising; 14 Carrier; 16 Grapple; 17 Beacon; 19 Addle; 21 Amiss.

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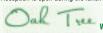
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friend, neighbour, colleague or family member to cycling.

But if you're dusting down a bike that's been in the shed all winter, or are returning to cycling after a break, the chances are both your knowledge and your bike could do with an MOT.

Inflate your tyres to the right pressure, adjust the saddle to the right height for you, and make sure the gears and brakes work properly. You've got the right saddle height when you're sitting on the saddle and touching the ground with the balls of both feet.

ground with the balls of both feet.

More technically, your leg should be almost fully extended when the pedal is at the bottom of its rotation.

If you haven't used your bike for a



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while get it serviced to make sure it's
safe. If you're new to cycling or haven't
done it for years, it's worth getting a
session with a cycle trainer or a more
experienced cyclist.
This will help confidence and understanding of riding in traffic.
Cycling is very different to driving
and you may want to practise your

Cycling is very different to driving and you may want to practise your route. Cycle guides, smartphone applications, and websites can help with route planning, and will normally offer more cycle-friendly routes.

Make sure you are seen. Wear something bright or hi-viz and always use front and rear lights if it's dawn, dusk, dark or foggy. Take your lights with you just in case you end up cycling back at night. It is also worth taking a small

tool kit with you. A spare pump and inner tube, as well as Allen keys to adjust the saddle and handlebars, will cover you for most eventualities. Practising using them beforehand is advisable, especially if you cycle alone.

They're not mandatory, but wearing a helmet is a good idea. Looking at the dents in my helmet from a couple of minor falls, I'm glad I've had it on.

The most important thing to remember when cycling on the road is that other road users are often not

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that other road users are often not looking for you. Ride to be seen by positioning your-self slightly away from the kerb, where drivers would be looking for other vehicles.

To help drivers stay safe and enjoy their driving this summer, the IAM has a new website, drivingadvice.org.uk, with traffic updates, weather forecasts, and driving tips, including driving abroad, cycling, coping with Olympic congestion, and loading the car for a long journey.

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GT86 has the power

the number of affordable rear-wheel drive coupes available to buy in the UK these days. Even if you choose to include Mazda's MX-5 – so long as

you fit the hard-top roof - it's a small number.

With nearly everyone now focused on cutting emissions and squeezing as much as possible from a litre of fuel, it would be easy to think that fun has taken a back seat in the

would be easy to think that fu minds of car makers. To a certain degree it has, as it's much more advanta-geous for a car firm to build yet another low CO2 car that will earn it copious gold stars among the green lobby. And all the while this is hap-pening, Mazda's MX-5 remains unchallenged. This situation could be

pening, Mazda's MX-5 remains unchallenged.

This situation could be about to change, as a partnership between Toyota and Subaru has produced something that was commonplace a few decades ago: a rearwheel drive, front-engine coupe promising thrills for sensible money.

Toyota has more form in this department than Subaru thanks to generations of modestly powerful coupes and roadsters, and its GT86 model boasts a last generation Celica-esque footprint and edgy, wedgelike profile.

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It's a Toyota with a twist, however. The corporate-level connection between the two firms resulted in Subaru sharing develop-ment responsibilities and donating its trademark flat four 'Boxer' petrol engine.

Sensible

The and result is a thor-

The end result is a thoroughly modern Toyota inside and out powered by a quirky 2.0-litre Boxer motor that's got more in common with a turbo-nutter Impreza than a Prins than a Prius.

than a Prius.

One thing is missing though, and that's a turbocharger. Toyota – and Subaru – have eschewed forced induction in a bid to keep the engine's power output at a sensible – and wallet-friendly – 197bhp.

Predictably with such an engine, most of the action kicks off once past 4,000 revs, which means you'll need to work hard for your thrills.

thrills.
Fortunately the GT86's manual gearchange is short and accurate, which makes keeping the motor on the boil a straightforward activ-

By Ian Dooley

FACTS AT A GLANCE

Model: Toyota GT86, from £24,995 (£26,495 for auto

£24,995 (£26,495 for auto variant)
Engine: 2.0-litre petrol unit developing 197bhp Transmission: Six-speed manual transmission as standard, driving the rear wheels

Performance: Maximum speed 140mph, 0-62mph 7.7 seconds Economy: 36.2mpg CO2 Rating: 181g/km

ity in any of the six gears Opt for the labour-saving auto 'box and you get gearchange paddles and a funky throttle blip on down-

funky throttle blip on down-changes.

Despite the promise of tuning bits from famed Japanese tuner TRD, Toyota isn't offering any go-faster engine parts for the GT86.

If you want more power, you'll need to look to the aftermarket tuner commu-nity. Thankfully you won't be starved of choice or expertise as many have earned their spurs on Subaru's Impreza and Legacy models.

Why the focus on power?

It's fair to say that the GT86

Why the focus on power? It's fair to say that the GT86 could easily handle a dollop more of the stuff; its base set-up is pleasingly neutral and the car's compliant ride is never in the mood to bite you despite the rear-wheel drive layout.

This rear-drive coupe is, however, an intriguing and affordable alternative to the likes of Nissan's 370Z plus Volkswagen's Scircco and the other compact German luxury coupes that are in a higher price bracket and can't match the Toyota for agility and driver involveagility and driver involve

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Stuart Johnstone (31)
pulled their side out of
trouble, but after spinner
Mathew Watts got them
both caught out, Barnt
Green's cause was taken up
by Mathew Nicholls and
skipper Max Edwards who
scored 45 and 32 respectively.

Brother Aley Watts took

scoried 45 and 32 respectively.

Brother Alex Watts took the next two wickets then a further rally from Robert James, who scored an unbeaten 37, gave his team a respectable score.

Stour's determined batting performance was led by openers Chris Norgrove (49) and Areeb Mohammad (21).

The job was finished by under-16s Matt Norgrove (30), Will Jenning (53) and skipper Litster who finished on 50 having made 44 of the runs with boundaries.

Stour reached the target with 11 overs to spare.

Hanley Castle and lupton 162,

Stourbridge 163-9. Stourbridge won by one wicket

Stourbridge fourths took a tense victory by just one wicket.

Left-arm paceman Lewis Wood had given his side a

a tense victory by just one wicket.

Left-arm paceman Lewis Wood had given his side a dramatic start when he bowled Ali Hall first ball.

Opener Ollie Price stuck around for 42 and a tail-end innings of 51 not out from Mark Anott took Hanley to 162 off 39 overs.

Stourbridge's development squad, average age 22, were led in the chase by Billy Green who scored 43.

He was supported by Farkham Ul Haque (22). Helped by Matt Ross's 19, the job was completed by emerging starlets Tom Jennings (16) and Aquib Rehman (12 not out).

Aston looks for shot at a title

DUDLEY'S Ryan Aston is eyeing a Midlands title shot after stopping Paul Samuels on the Carl Froch bill at Not-

on the Carl Froch bill at Not-tingham.

The middleweight expects to contest the title in July, on the undercard of Kell Brook's fight in Sheffield.

Amateur star duo turn pro at the Civic



Andrew Robinson (left) and Ricky Summers - ready to go

AMATEUR stars Ricky Summers and Andrew Robinson will make their pro debuts on the BoxNation bill at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on June 22.

For Lions ABC in Dudley, Summers reached the semi-finals of the senior ABAs last year while Robinson twice got to the last four of the ABA Novices.

Tipton's Summers, 24, is a light heavyweight while 27-year-old Robin-son, who lives in Birmingham, com-petes at middleweight.

The two will be joined on the bill by Birmingham's Thomas Costello, who has decided to pick up some ring time and get in the hunt for domestic belts.

Also added to the bill is Northampton's Nathan Reeve, who competed in the super flyweight Prizefighter last year, but two are off the show.

The personal issues that ruled Tipton's Lee Glover off this month's Walsall Town Hall card have not cleared in time for him to fight. Tom Shaw, the light welterweight from Burton, has pulled out to pursue another and, as yet, unspecified fight at a later date.

The main event is the rematch to the

The main event is the rematch to the controversial British title contest

between former champion St McPhilbin and Enzo Maccarinelli.

Chief support is for the Midlands welterweight crown as Rowley Regis' Jason Welborn puts his belt up-forgrabs against Derby's former English champion and Commonwealth title challenger Scott Haywood.

Stafford's Grant Cunningham, Stourbridge's Steven Pearce, Cannock's Dave Egan and Leicester's Ryan Hookway complete the line-up.

For more information and tickets call the box office on 0870 320 7000 or promoter Paul 'PJ' Rowson on 07976 283 157.

Ball looks for 'respect' as a reward from fight

COSELEY'S Jamie Ball today declared he deserves "respect" for agreeing to take on double national champion Michal Pechacek.

Ball has been paired with the Czech Republic and Slova-kia title holder for the show at Wolverhampton Civic Hall, live on Frank Warren's television channel BoxNation.

It has all the hallmarks of a banana skin for the Midlands light middleweight champion on Friday June 22, who steps into the ring defending a 15-fight unbeaten record.

by Craig Birch

shown live, so I don't want anybody to slate me. "If I don't take risks, I am not going to earn respect." Ball picked up the second draw on his record against Nasser Al Harbi in March. Al Harbi picked up a cut in the fourth round of their

Nasser Al Harbi in March.
Al Harbi picked up a cut in
the fourth round of their
eliminator for the English
title and referee Terry
O'Connor waved it off as a
technical decision.
As O'Connor ruled the
wound to Al Harbi's right
eye was caused by a clash of
heads, it was scored a draw
but Ball said it was a punch.
That would have handed
him the win and his fury was
compounded when Andrew
Lowe, who Ball stopped for
the area crown last year,
landed an English title shot.
Ball said: "I feel I should
be in contention for the
English title and look who
has got the opportunity,
someone who I have
knocked out!"
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into the ring detending a lot-Despite his belts, little is known about the 22-year-old 'Blue Hammer' outside his home nations but he's also undefeated, with 10 wins and four stoppages. However, Ball insists all he wants is to be pushed as he looks to emulate his oppo-pent and break through the

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nent and break through the Englash ceiling and into the English title picture. As it's a 10-round fight, the 27-year-old's bout should make the cut for live transmission and 'the Black Country Bully' wants to make a statement.

He said: "I have never avoided any opponent and I never will, I feel strong and sharp so I will be ready for whatever he brings.
"I have had my learning fights, I want to see how far

fights, I want to see how far I can get in this sport and that means being tested.

that means being tested.

"If I keep winning over a
title distance, something has
got to happen sooner or
later, and another one gets
me up there.
"On paper, this guy is no
mug and I was offered a few
I might have walked over,
but I don't want that.
"In my first television
appearance where I could be



Biker Luke records his best place of season

Luke Quigley tight to the kerb at sunny Snetterton during the British Superbike championship

LUKE QUIGLEY was back in the points at a sun-drenched Snetterton for round four of the British Superbike championship.
The Brierley Hill man finished 13th in

the opening race before going one better in the second.

Detter in the second.

The GBmoto Racing team had been testing at Snetterton during the three-week gap since round three and were aiming to make that count as they

continue to develop in their debut British Superbike campaign. He started Sunday's first race in

He started Sunday's first race in 18th position on the grid and made a fantastic start, climbing to 13th spot by the end of the opening lap. He managed to go 11th before tyre wear caused him to slip back to finish 13th. Another superb start, in the second race, elevated him to 12th as the field crossed the line for the first time. After

dropping back to 13th, he moved his way up to 11th by lap 10 and stayed there for six laps, but once more tyre degradation cost him. On the final lap, he lost out to Dan Linfoot but managed to fend off Michael Rutter to finish 12th, his best of the season.

Quigley said: "It's brilliant to be consistently in the points and come away with my best championship positions."

Last-gasp delight for the **Jucky** Heathens

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Scunthorpe Saints 43
Dudley Heathens 46
DUDLEY Heathens took a
last-gasp National League
win at Scunthorpe.
The victory at the Eddie

Wright Raceway seemed unlikely for much of the

match.
The former Dudley Wood The former Dudley Wood side were already without star rider Tom Perry, who was called into the GB under-21 side for the World Cup semi-final at Lakeside and scored four points.

Then South African star Byron Bekker suffered two retirements.

But skipper Adam Roynos tepped up to inspire his side

But skipper Adam Roynon stepped up to inspire his side alongside Wolverhampton teenager Ashley Morris and reserve Dan Greenwood to carry the team home. Heathens needed a maximum from the last race as they were 43-41 down but were gifted a 5-0 victory when both Gary Irving and Jerran Hart retired for the home side. Irving was on the verge of victory when the gremlins struck to break Scunthorpe: Tom Young 12, Jerna Hart 10, Gany Irving 5 Max Clegg 7.

Scuntnorpe nearts.
Scunthorpe: Tom Young 12, Jerrar
Hart 10, Gary Irving 8, Max Clegg 7
Danny Phillips 4+2, Tommy Fenwick
2+2.

2+2. **Dudley:** Adam Roynon 14, Ashley Morris 11+1, Dan Greenwood 8+4, Byron Bekker 5+1, James White-Williams 5, Darryl Ritchings 3.

Morris and Roynon unbeaten

Dudley Heathens 66

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King's Lynn Young Stars 24
DUDLEY roared to their
biggest victory since joining
the National League with a
points bonanza against points bonanza against King's Lynn at Monmore

Heathens' 42-point margin against the Young Stars was one point better than their 67-26 win over Rye House in August 2010.

Skipper Adam Roynon
was never threatened on his
way to a 15-point maximum,
and Ashley Morris joined
him in being unbeaten by an
opposing rider thanks to
some clever first turns.

But it was also might

some clever first turns.
But it was also a night
when the lower end of the
team performed strongly to
cover for Tom Perry, who
was on Premier League duty.
Dudloy: Adam Roynon 15, Ashley
Morris '(3-42, Byron Bekker 11+2,
Darryl Ritchings 9-4, James White
Williams 9-2, Dan Greenwood 9-1.
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Williams is looking to close in on riders' title

TOP point-to-point rider Jane Williams heads for her neighbourhood meeting on Monday hoping to close in on the lady riders title. Williams, from Enville, near Stourbridge, is in action at the Albrighton Woodland meeting at Chad-desley Corbett, near Kidder-minster.

minster.
She is battling for the national crown with Yorkshire-based Jacqueline Coward, who is also in action

Coward, who is also in action at Chaddesley.

And Williams has some plum rides which could add to her winning tally.

Her potential mounts include No Mans Green in the Members and Lagosta in the PPORA Members.

Surenaga, trained by Bridgnorth handler Philip Rowley, could be Williams' ride in the Ladies' Open.

Fighting

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But it's possible that he will run at Stratford on Friday, so his place would be taken by Billyvoddan or The General Lee, both reliable winners for the Rowley-Williams team.
The last race of the season at Chaddesley is the maiden, which could see Williams and Coward fighting out the finish.
Williams will be aboard her mother's recent Irish

will will be about the mother's recent Irish buy Come On Flash, while Coward will be riding the four-year-old Asheany-

First race on the card is off at 1.30pm.

Invitation goes to girl footballers

GIRLS' football teams are GIRLS' football teams are being invited to apply to the Stourbridge and District Youth league for next season. Matches for under-10 and under-11 teams will take place at a central venue. Games involving sides from under-12 to under-17

from under-12 to under-17 level will take place on a home and away basis.

Any girls interested in playing but who are not attached to a side can call Lorraine Green on 07939 003913 to be put in touch with teams operating in their area. with tean their area.

League presentations are to take place over three nights at Brierley Hill Civic Hall.

They will be staged on Thursday, June 14; Friday, June 15 and Monday, June 18, each starting at 6.45pm.

Pedersen praises spirit of his team

FORMER world champion Jan O. Pedersen says team spirit is playing a

ersen says team spirit is playing a massive part in the early season form of Dudley Heathens.

Pedersen, the 1991 World kingpin, is proving to be a big hit with riders as team coach working alongside boss Will Pottinger.

And he admits sticking together helped them to a precious away win over 46-43 win at Scunthorpe on Sunday when Gary Irving retired with bike trouble in the last race.

He said: "We were slightly fortunate at Scunthorpe on Sunday but it was achieved despite the loss of Tom Perry two days

earlier although it was for a great reason, getting the call for Great Britain under-21s. Byron Bekker had problems in his first two rides, but he's a good lad and I'm sure we will see the best of him as the season pro-

"Everyone within the camp is working so well together. If a rider is struggling with problems, like Byron on Sunday, we're there to help and support.

"It's a winning combination and the boys are taking on board any advice or observa-

tions I have. Will (Pottinger) and myself are enjoying working together and we are both enjoying the season, just as the fans seem to be," he added.

Heathens, who were riding the second leg of their National Shield contest at Monmore on Tuesday night, now have a gap in their fixtures.

They get back into action on Tuesday, June 12, when they host the first leg of their Knockout Cup semi-final with the Isle of Wight at Monmore.

Meanwhile, tickets are selling fast for the evening with Heathens legend Erik Gunder-

sen at the Venue Conference and Banquet ing Suite in Dudley on Friday, July 20.

Triple world champion Gundersen will be making the trip from his Danish home and half the capacity has already been sold.

General admission tickets are available at £10 with the event starting at 8.30pm.

Tickets can be purchased at the club's online shop at www.dudleyheathens.co or by sending a cheque payable to HSSC, 2 Caernarvon Way Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 2TR. For more details, contact HSSC on 07766 745681.

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STOUR PASS TOUGH **TEST TO STAY ON TOP**

DIVISION THREE new boys Stourbridge came through their biggest test so far against title contenders Tamworth CC.

The match fizzled out to a draw, but Stour bagged the bulk of the points to keep them at the top of the division.

Tamworth skipper Michael Talbot surprisingly chose to chase the runs, asking the home side to bat first on a hot sizzling day with a dry and friendly-looking track.

Stour's openers Alex Bingham and Matt Bradley withstood the heat both of the cloudless sky and the Tamworth opening attack of Wayne Gibling and Nigel Hughes.

Hughes.

In the 15th over at the pavilion end, leg spinner James Gray replaced Giblin and Bradley promptly despatched the first and sixth deliveries to the boundary.

But he was undone trying to drive and was caucht at

to drive and was caught at mid-off for 42.

Josh Banks then fell lbw

to the other spinner, Michael Talbot, for six.

Snapped

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The in-form Audy Alexander then joined Bingham and they produced a stand of 50 runs. Looking to increase the run rate, Bingham tried to lift one over the head of long-off only to be snapped up on the boundary for 54.

Skipper Richard Bradley, wanting a total past the 250 mark, joined Alexander at 127-3 with 22 overs remaining. They pushed the score on to 192 when Gray struck to have Alexander smartly

to have Alexander smartly stumped by Ben Maddox one short of his 50.

short of his 50.

Steve Game was pinned lbw for five but Stour looked to press on, a hope that failed to materialise fully as Bradley went for a superb 63

Stourbridge CC

caught off the bowling of Michael Talbot in the 46th over. The scramble for runs resulted in Stour being bowled out for 245. Tamworth started their

reply with all guns blazing, the first seven overs produc-ing 34 runs as skipper Michael Talbot's flailing bat sent fielders scampering to

sent fielders scampering to the boundary.
But Jitesh Patel's third over removed Neil Orton slashing one outside the off stump that flew to Banks at slip for eight.
The run rate remained good as Jake Fowler and Talbot took the score from 34 to 76. Dave Jones, who had replaced Bradley at the navilion end, then turned

had replaced Bradley at the pavilion end, then turned the match by having the belligerent Talbot caught at square leg for 48.

Next to go was Jake Fowler for 27, lbw to the leg spin of Auy Alexander. Exceptional catching got rid of Stuart Burrows for 27 off the bowling of Alexander for 36; John Fearn for four off Mikesh Pate and Jo Mcnulty for a duck, the third victim for Alexander. for Alexander.

The diving Patel, clutching the third, forced Tamworth to go on the defensive.

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Star Harrington putts on clinic for golfers



Special Olympics golfers join professional star Padraig Harrington. Pictured from left at Wentworth are Bobbie Wright, Marco Fusco, Beth Wragg, Harrington, Mikael Undrom and George Hutchings

he best.

Beth Wragg was one of five Special
Olympics GB golfers to be hosted at
Wentworth by the European Tour on
the opening day of the BMW PGA
championship.

Wragg and the other four golfers

Wragg and the other four golfers were given an exclusive putting clinic by three-times major winner Padraig Harrington, Special Olympics' global ambassador for golf.

They were selected from 160 golfers

A STOURBRIDGE golfer has been from around the country. Sporting all-receiving special tuition from one of rounder Wragg, aged 35, has been a Olympics. We get as much out of it as Special Olympics GB athlete for half they do."

Beth Wragg was one of five Special her life, competing regularly in swimher life, competing regularly in swim-ming, athletics, football and skiing as

more Special Olympics golf coaches and create interest in developing addi-

ming, athletics, football and skiing as well as golf.
In 2009 she won a gold and two silver medals in alpine skiing at the Special Olympics world winter games in Boise, Idaho.
The golfers' VIP day also featured lunch and a private tour of the clubhouse, conducted by managing director Julian Small, who said: "This is the "This has genuinely been a highlight of this year's championships for me," he said. "Every golfer has a handicap, and every golfer comes out to play their best.
"In my book, these golfers are par for the course. They inspire me."

Tom helps side to first win

Canon Frome (Opts) 124,
Amblecote and Wollaston
(24pts) 128-2. Amblecote won
by eight wickets
AMBLECOTE and Wollaston picked up their first win
of the season at home to
Canon Frome on Saturday.
The visitors won the toss

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The visitors won the toss and elected to bat on a good-looking Kinver wicket.

The home side's openers bowled tightly with little luck until Tom Wassell made the breakthrough with the score on 48.

Pace was then the key, Adam Lock (4-36) the pick of the bowlers as Canon Frome were restricted to 124 all out despite 65 from Nicko Evans. Mo Ramzan and Brad Sproson took two wickets each.

After tea, a tricky first 10 overs greeted the Amblecote openers but they dug in to forge a match-winning partnership of 105 for the first wicket.

Captain Ross Parker was dismissed for 58, but fellow opener John Pearsall led the side home with an unheaten 49 as they reached the target in the 29th over.

Amblecote travel to West Malvern this week in a bid for back-to-back wins.

Ambulance pair take golf victory

THE WEST MIDLANDS took a one-two in ambulance golf's Intergraph National Pairs in Harlow, Essex.

The competition at Canons Brook Golf Club saw 27 pairs of golfers battling heavy rain, but West Mid-lands Ambulance Service took the honours.

took the honours.
The winning pair were John Hawker, of Wordsley, and Murray MacGregor who scored a combined Stableford score of 70 with both picking up 35 points.
In second place were Barry Simpson and Marc Moulton on 67 points.

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